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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims:

1.-6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) An audio/video system for a motor vehicle, comprising a ring-shaped, bidirectional, optical network including optical fibers and audio/video appliances connected to one another in a ring shape by said optical network, wherein data are transmitted between said audio/video appliances in said network in a first data channel having a first optical wavelength and in a second data channel having a second optical wavelength, each of said audio/visual appliances having an optical coupler with filters for separating said first and second data channels, wherein said first and second data channels have different bandwidths.

8. (Previously Presented) The audio/video system of claim 7, wherein the data transmitted in said first data channels are formatted according to a first data format and data transmitted in said second data channel are formatted according to a second data format.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) The audio/video system of claim 9 7, wherein the one of the first and second data channels having a larger bandwidth is used to transmit data based on an Internet protocol.

11. (Previously Presented) The audio/video system of claim 7, wherein data are transmitted in said network on further data channels having other optical wavelengths.

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is presented to place the application in proper form for examination and to eliminate multiple dependency from the present claims. No new matter has been added. Early examination and favorable consideration of the above-identified application is earnestly solicited.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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